

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
AT Knoxville Tennessee

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Clerk, U. S. District Court  
Eastern District of Tennessee  
At Knoxville

Michael R. Harless

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(Enter above the NAME of the  
plaintiff in this action.)

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v.

Facility)

Knox Co Jail/42A Detention

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R.D.W. Detention Facility

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Tenn. Dept. of Corrections

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(Enter above the NAME of each  
defendant in this action.)

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COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION OF CIVIL RIGHTS  
(42 U.S.C. Section 1983)

I. PREVIOUS LAWSUITS

A. Have you begun other lawsuits in state or federal court dealing with the same facts involved in this action or otherwise relating to your imprisonment? YES ( ) NO (✓)

B. If your answer to A is YES, describe the lawsuit in the space below. (If there is more than one lawsuit, describe the additional lawsuits on another piece of paper, using the same outline.)

1. Parties to the previous lawsuit:

Plaintiffs: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Defendants: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. COURT: (If federal court, name the district; if state court, name the county):

3. DOCKET NUMBER:

4. Name of Judge to whom case was assigned:

5. Disposition: (For example: Was the case dismissed? Was it appealed? Is it still pending?)

6. Approximate date of filing lawsuit:

7. Approximate date of disposition:

II. PLACE OF PRESENT CONFINEMENT: KCS Knoxville County Jail <sup>400 Main St.</sup> <sup>Knoxville, TN</sup> <sup>37902</sup>  
Detention Facility

A. Is there a prisoner grievance procedure in this institution? YES (✓) NO ( )

B. Did you present the facts relating to your complaint in the prisoner grievance procedure? YES (✓) NO ( )

C. If your answer is YES,

1. What steps did you take? I spoke to Co/Jason & Cpl. Merritt on 2nd shift here at KCS. They both told me to file a grievance
2. What was the result? I filed the grievance on 10-15-2020 and the grievance Board has not responded to my grievance

D. If your answer to B is NO, explain why not.

E. If there is no prison grievance procedure in the institution, did you complain to the prison authorities? YES ( ) NO ( )

F. If your answer is YES,

1. What steps did you take?

2. What was the result? \_\_\_\_\_

### III. PARTIES

(In item A below, please print your name in the first blank and place your present address in the second blank. Do the same for any additional plaintiffs.)

A. Name of plaintiff: Michael Ray Hartless

Present address: 5001 Mabneyville Rd.

Permanent home address: 2637 Western Ave, Knoxville, Tenn. 37921

Address of nearest relative: Mrs. Viri Hartless 1806 Young Ave. Knoxville  
TN, 37920

(In item B below, place the FULL NAME of the defendant in the first blank, his official position in the second blank, and his place of employment in the third blank. Use item C for the additional names, positions, and places of employment of any additional defendants.)

B. Defendant: Knox Co Jail 400 main st. Knoxville, Tenn. 37902

Official position: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

C. Additional defendants: Robert D. Wilson Detention Facility  
Knoxville, Tenn. 37918

State of Tennessee Department of Corrections  
4th Floor Rachel Jackson Bldg.  
320 Sixth Ave. North  
Nashville, Tenn. 37243-0465

### IV. STATEMENT OF CLAIM

(State here as briefly as possible the FACTS of your case. Describe how EACH defendant is involved. Include also the names of other persons involved, dates and places. DO NOT give any legal arguments or cite any cases or statutes. If you intend to allege a number of related claims, number and set forth each claim in a separate paragraph. Use as much space as you need. Attach extra sheets, if necessary.)

I am a TNCC inmate housed at KCSCKnox Co. Jail serving  
a 3 yr. sentence. Knox Co. Jail and the R.D.W.D.F. does

not acknowledge giving TNOC inmates sentenced to 5 yrs and under the same amount of good days as any other TNOC Housing Facility such as Blount Co. Jail in Blount Co. Tennessee. Blount Co. Jail system gives their TNOC inmates sentenced to 5 yrs and under 16 days per month with out any programs or a job.

Knox Co. Sheriff's Dept.'s sentencing does not allow any one to get 16 plus good days a month, and also Knox Co. Sheriff's Dept. housing TNOC inmates does not offer any type of Programs nor Jobs to max. inmates.

IN prison I would have the opportunity to receive programs or a job of different categories, and 16 to 21 good days per month.

Knox Co. Sheriff's Dept. automatically max a person out due to the charges they are charged with.

IN prison the TNOC goes by a point system.

The guide lines for a Jail system and the prison system are completely different.

If Knox Co. Detention Facility want to house TNOC inmates they should run the Jail and the Detention Facility, as TNOC Runs their Prisons And as other County Jails

V. RELIEF

(State BRIEFLY exactly what you want this Court to do for you. Make NO legal arguments.

Cite NO cases or statutes.)

provide the defendant with a copy of the complaint and the evidence in support of the complaint. I am requesting that the court order the defendant to provide the plaintiff with a copy of the complaint and the evidence in support of the complaint. I am requesting that the court order the defendant to provide the plaintiff with a copy of the complaint and the evidence in support of the complaint.

I (We) hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the above complaint is true to the best of my (our) information, knowledge and belief.

Signed this 3rd day of December, 2020.

Michael R. Hartless  
Signature of plaintiff(s)



V. Relief

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I want all TDOC inmates as myself housed here at KCJ and R.D.W. Dent facility doing their Tenn. Dept. of correction sentences of 5 years and under. I would like for All TDOC inmates treated equally as other TDOC Housing Facility (County Jails) give their TDOC housed inmates 16 to 21 days per month in Blount Co. Tenn.

Blount Co Jail, is a TDOC Housing Facility housing TDOC inmates for sentences of 5 yrs. and below. The TDOC inmates receive 16 days a month without any kind of programs or jobs.

signed this 3rd day of December, 2020.

Michael R. Hartless

Signature of plaintiff(s)

Michael B. Hartless #133738  
5001 Maloneyville, Rd.  
Knoxville, Tenn.

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Correctional Facility